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1. Some personnel changes have occurred at the Ministry for Inland Navigation in Berlin-Karlshorst (Dorotheastrasse 25a). Colonel Knyazov has returned to the USSR. The new chief is Major Infilizyn. Lt Brykov has taken the post of chief engineer and Ing. Olinger has advanced to Brykov's former position as chief of the naval group. The department chief is Ing. Iupikin.
2. An estimate of the Uebigau ship works seen by source revealed that river boats developed for the Ministry for Inland Navigation are being constructed there. (Number of craft not given). Two 300 HP gas turbines are being installed in each boat.
3. The Lentz concern in Berlin-Charlottenburg has received an order for river boat steam engines. Lentz is working with the Zwickauer Maschinenfabrik on the production of one Linksmodell II (RM 27,000.88) and two Linksmodell VI (RM 66,000). Delivery dates are August and September 1948.
4. The Russians are specially interested in concrete vessels. One such ship, purchased in Brandenburg, is alleged to be lying near the Monbijou bridge in Berlin, where it is being tested for load capacity and resistance. This is a vessel of approximately 85 registered tons, with a concrete-covered wire frame.

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[REDACTED] Comment: Paragraph 2 appears to contradict an earlier report by the same source (January 1948) which stated that all river boats were to be produced at Rostock.

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